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Bosco, Cynthia (for California Dept. of Developmental Services)

(1) Fourteenth and Final Account and Report of Conservator; (2) Petition for Fees, for Termination of Conservatorship Distribution of Assets of Estate and (3) Discharge of Conservator (Prob. C. 1860 & 2620)

	D. 11 10 10		Discharge of Conservator (Frob. C. 1860 & 2620	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
DOD: 11-10-10			CALIFORNIA DEPT. OF DEVELOPMENTAL	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
			SERVICES , Conservator, is Petitioner.	Continued from 11-17-11, 2-2-12, 4-5- 12, 5-17-12.
			Account period: 3-1-09 through 11-10-10	<u>12, J-17-12</u> .
	t. from 111711,		Accounting: \$34,377.72	Minute Order 5-17-12: Attorney Bruce
	212, 040512,		Beginning POH: \$14,465.02	Beland is appearing via conference call.
051			Ending POH: \$16,100.50	Matter continued to 6-28-12.
	Aff.Sub.Wit.			As of 6-25-12, nothing further has been
~	Verified		Account period: 11-11-10 through 6-30-11	filed. The following issues remain:
	Inventory		Accounting: \$18,405.01	
	PTC		Beginning POH: \$16,100.50	1. Probate Code §§ 2631 and 13100
	Not.Cred.			allow liquidation and distribution of
~	Notice of Hrg		Ending POH: \$12,537.04	personal property only in the manner requested. Real property,
~	Aff.Mail	W	(POH consists of cash in the amount of \$554.93	including undivided interests, is
	Aff.Pub.		•	subject to Probate Code §13151,
	Sp.Ntc.		plus an undivided 1/3 interest of a 3/4 interest in	which requires the mandatory
	Pers.Serv.		real property, a stove, and an air conditioner)	judicial council Petition to
	Conf. Screen		Companyatory ¢125 00	Determine Succession to Real Property Form DE-310, inventory
	Letters		Conservator: \$125.00	and appraisal as of the date of
	Duties/Supp		AU	death, and noticed hearing.
	Objections		Attorney: \$40.00	
	Video Receipt			2. Petitioner also requests to
~	CI Report		Petitioner states there is a Medi-Cal claim in the	distribute this asset when there is a
	9202		amount of \$108,627.87 and requests that the court	Medi-Cal lien on the estate. Need authority.
~	Order		authorize payment of the remaining balance of the	dutionty.
			conservatorship estate on this claim.	3. Need Order.
	Aff. Posting		Petitioner prays for an Order:	Reviewed by: skc
	Status Rpt	Χ	Approving, allowing and settling the final	Reviewed on: 6-25-12
	UCCJEA		account;	Updates:
	Citation		2. Terminating the proceedings herein;	Recommendation:
	FTB Notice		3. Authorizing payment of the conservator's and	File 1 - Tortorella
			attorney's fees;	
			4. Authorizing payment of the remaining balance	
			to the Dept. of Health Services as payment in	
			full on the Medi-Cal claim;	
			5. Authorizing transfer of the house, stove and air	
			conditioner to the Conservatee's sister; and	
			6. Discharge of Conservator.	

2 Barbara Lorene Scharton (Estate)

Case No. 09CEPR00512

Atty Wall, Jeffrey L (for Christopher Fulbright – Brother – Administrator)

(1) Second and Final Report of Administrator and Petition for Its Settlement and (2) For Allowance of Commissions and Fees and (3) for Final Distribution upon Waiver of Accounting

DO	DOD: 5-4-09				
	nt. from 04301 1412	2,			
	Aff.Sub.Wit.				
>	Verified				
>	Inventory				
>	PTC				
>	Not.Cred.				
>	Notice of				
	Hrg				
>	Aff.Mail	W			
	Aff.Pub.				
	Sp.Ntc.				
	Pers.Serv.				
	Conf.				
	Screen				
>	Letters				
	Duties/Supp				
	Objections				
	Video				
	Receipt				
	CI Report				
>	9202				
~	Order				
	Aff. Posting				
	Status Rpt				
	UCCJEA				
	Citation				
~	FTB Notice				

CHRISTOPHER LEE FULLBRIGHT, brother and Administrator with full IAEA without bond, is Petitioner.

Accounting is waived.

I&A: \$548,165.47

POH: \$610,620.80 (cash)

Administrator (Statutory): \$3,490.82 (Statutory fees are \$13,963.30. Petitioner previously received \$10,472.48 after approval of the first account and now requests the balance of \$3,490.82.)

Attorney (Statutory): \$3,490.82 (Statutory fees are \$13,963.30. The Mayfield Law Group previously received \$10,472.48 after approval of the first account. Attorney Wall subsequently represented the Petitioner and now requests the balance of \$3,490.82.)

Distribution pursuant to intestate succession and disclaimer filed 12-15-10 is to:

Christine Adams, as Trustee of the Mickey Fulbright Grantor Trust: Entire estate

NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:

Note: Decedent's mother is under conservatorship in Case #04CEPR00703. An Inter Vivos Trust was established via substituted judgment on 2-22-12, to hold her mobile home, subject to either bond or blocked account, and the transfer of any additional property to the trust shall be subject to Court approval.

A Petition filed in the new Trust file 12CEPR00361 requests authority to add distribution from this estate to the trust. See Page 8.

 Need Court authorization within the trust case to distribute as requested. SEE PAGE 8.

Reviewed by: skc

Reviewed on: 6-25-12

Updates:

Recommendation:

File 2 - Scharton

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Greg J Romagnoli (Estate)

Atty Chielpegian, Michael S

(1) First and Final Account and Report of Status of Administration and Petition for Settlement Thereof; (2) Petition for Final Distribution; (3) for Confirmation of Property Belonging to Surviving Spouse; (4) for Approval of Sale of Real Property; and for (5) Reimbursement of Costs Advanced (Probate Code 100, 101, 10800, 10810, 10831, 10954 and 11640; Family Code 297.5)

Case No. 10CEPR00542

	10010, 10001, 10704 and 11040, ranning c	7040 = 1110)
Age:		NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
DOD:		
		CONTINUED TO 7-12-12
		per Attorney Chielpegian's request.
Cont. from		
Aff.Sub.Wit.		
Verified		
Inventory		
PTC		
Not.Cred.		
Notice of		
Hrg		
Aff.Mail		
Aff.Pub.		
Sp.Ntc.		
Pers.Serv.		
Conf.		
Screen		
Letters		
Duties/Supp		
Objections		
Video		
Receipt		
CI Report		
9202		
Order		
Aff. Posting		Reviewed by: skc
Status Rpt	_	Reviewed on: 6-25-12
UCCJEA	<u> </u>	Updates:
Citation	_	Recommendation:
FTB Notice		File 3 - Romagnoli

Atty

Gertrude Graber (Estate)

Hemb, Richard E. (for David D. Graber – Son – Executor – Petitioner)

Report of Sale and Petition for Order Confirming Sale of Real Property (Prob. C. 2540, 10308)

DOD: 2-24-10			ER , Son and Executor with Full IAEA 64,000.00, is Petitioner.	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/ COMMENTS:	
			Sale price: Overbid:	\$275,000.00 \$289,250.00	Continued from 5-17- 12.
Cont	Aff.Sub.Wit.		Reappraisal:	\$275,000.00	Minute Order 5-17-12: Examiner notes are
>	Verified Inventory		Property:	7033 West Shaw Avenue, Fresno, CA 93723	provided to counsel. Ms. Nelson objects to the sale of the property
	PTC Not.Cred.		Publication:	N/A	so the sale is not approved by the Court. The Court notes for the
•	Notice of Hrg		Buyer:	DAVID D. GRABER	record that there are no overbids in open
n/a	Aff.Mail Aff.Pub.	W	Broker:	None	court. The Court continues the matter to
.,, 6.	Sp.Ntc. Pers.Serv.		since Petitioner	s the property has been available obtained possession via unlawful	6/28/12 for the purpose of sorting out the APN issues. The Court orders
	Conf. Screen		the other real e	ctivity has resulted in this property or state in the estate. Sale to the entative is in the best interest of the	the executor to list the property with an appropriate broker or
	Letters Duties/Supp		estate since it is	at appraised value, no broker fees, al interest to beneficiaries.	present by declaration sufficient evidence that
	Objections Video		Current bond is	sufficient after the sale.	there are no realistic means of receiving a sales price in the future
	Receipt CI Report			Art Garcia Re: Commercial Interest in ed 6-12-12 states: Mr. Garcia has	in excess of \$275,000.00. The Court
	9202			mmercial real estate business in Fresno	advises the parties that it will be expecting to
,	Order	X	Estate, a license Without going i property locate "a ways out" from the would consi	d is currently engaged with Allied Real ed commercial real estate broker. Inside, a physical inspection of the ed at Grantland and Shaw is situated om current commercial development. It is defined as the commercial at this	hear at the next hearing why the insurance money was not used for repairs. Matter continued to 6- 28-12.
			station, howeve residential/agric	ossibly be used for a minimarket or gaser, it is noted that the current zoning is cultural. South of the location there is	<u>SEE PAGE 2</u>
~	Aff. Posting			t of newer homes, but they are on other than would be comparable to this	Reviewed by: skc
	Status Rpt		property. It is do	oubtful that the owners to the South	Reviewed on: 5-15-12
	UCCJEA Citation		would be pleas development.	ed with such commercial	Updates: Recommendation:
	FTB Notice		development.	SEE PAGE 2	File 4 - Graber
<u> </u>				<u> </u>	

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Case No. 10CEPR00593

There are two addresses on the mailbox: 7033 and 7035. Mr. Garcia cannot locate any information of record on the two addresses and assumes it was created at some point with the US Postmaster to coordinate delivery to both units of the duplex on the site.

The APN is listed by tax records as 31-021-512, which consists of a 3196 sq. foot, 5-bedroom 2.75 bath, which would coordinate with both units of the duplex, and is situated on a 4.32 acre lot.

Comparable sales are difficult based on the location, as most residential sales are in the newer development (newer, larger homes, smaller lots). Mr. Garcia concludes that due to these reasons, \$275,000.00 is a fair value for the property. There does not appear to be a high likelihood of commercial interest in the property at present. Additionally, this opinion does not take into consideration any defects such as water damage, roof condition, flooring or painting needs.

1. The original Examiner Notes noted the following discrepancy in the APN:

Need clarification regarding the parcels included in this sale.

The legal description provided is not exactly the same as the legal description provided in the Inventory and Appraisal.

The I&A provides a condensed legal description for APN # <u>512-021-31 01 and 02</u> and refers to attached legal description that provides a common street address and APN <u>311-021-31</u>.

The legal description attached to this Report of Sale does not contain APN 512-021-31 01, 02, only APN 311-021-31).

Examiner notes that the attached legal description with APN <u>311-021-31</u> is not included in the original I&A, only the Reappraisal.

The Court may require further documentation from the Probate Referee that all included parcels have been included as appropriate in the I&A and Reappraisal as a requirement for Court confirmation pursuant to Probate Code §10309.

If APN 512-021-31 01, 02 are to be included, need revised order.

<u>Examiner now notes that pursuant to Mr. Garcia's declaration, the APN is 31-021-512. This appears to be a variation of the above numbers.</u>

Note: The Court will set a status hearing for filing of the Petition for Final Distribution on 7-19-12.

6 Atty Atty Case No. 11CEPR00828

Notice of Motion and Motion for Order Compelling Further Responses to Special Interrogatories and to Production of Documents and for Sanctions (CCP 2030.300; 2023.030; 2030.300)

			ROBERT JONES, nephew/Conservator of the	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
			Person and Estate, is Petitioner.	
			Politionar moves the Court for an Order	1. Need Order.
			Petitioner moves the Court for an Order compelling Respondent, Sarah Nardone, to serve	
Con	nt. from		further responses to Special Interrogatories No. 50-	
	Aff.Sub.Wit.		52 and 54-56 of Set One, and Production of	
√	Verified		Documents Demand No. 5 of Set One, which	
	Inventory		were served on Respondent on 03/05/12.	
	PTC		Petitioner further moves for an Order that Sarah Nardone pay a monetary sanction in an amount	
	Not.Cred.		established on or before the hearing on this	
√	Notice of		motion. Petitioner makes this motion pursuant to	
	Hrg		CCP §§ 2030.300, 2031.310 and §§ 2023.10-	
✓	Aff.Mail	w/	2023.040 on the grounds that 1) the questions and production demands are relevant to the subject	
	Aff.Pub.		matter of this action and does not relate to	
	Sp.Ntc.		privileged matters, and 2) the answered served	
	Pers.Serv.		are incomplete, non-responsive, evasive and the	
	Conf.		objections are without merit and/or too general in	
	Screen		the particulars. Petitioner states that he brings this	
	Letters		motion after having made a reasonable and good faith attempt at informal resolution of the	
	Duties/Supp		issues presented in this motion. Petitioner states	
	Objections		that he is unable to proceed with meaningful	
	Video		discovery, proceeds with Sarah Nardone's	
╟┷	Receipt		depositions and effectively proceed with this	
╟┷	CI Report		action and prepare for trial. Petitioner states that this motion is made on the further grounds that	
$\parallel \downarrow \downarrow$	9202		discovery should be required and the refusal or	
	Order	X	failure to permit discovery was without substantial	
	Aff. Posting		justification.	Reviewed by: JF
$\parallel \rightarrow$	Status Rpt		Management on Commonting Date and Lawreds Markey	Reviewed on: 06/26/12
$\parallel \rightarrow \parallel$	UCCJEA		Memorandum Supporting Robert Jones's Motion for Order Compelling Further Responses to Special	Updates:
	Citation		Interrogatories and Production of Documents and	Recommendation:
	FTB Notice		for Sanctions filed in support of Motion to Compel	File 6 - Lininger
			on 05/23/12.	
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			Declaration of Lisa Horton Supporting Robert Jones's Motion for Order Compelling Further	
			Responses to Special Interrogatories and	
			Production of Documents and for Sanctions filed	
			05/23/12.	
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Separate Statement Listing Special Interrogatories, and Production of Documents to which Further Responses are Required filed in support of Motion to Compel on 05/23/12 states that the interrogatories to which further responses are requested are as follows:

- 1) **Special Interrogatory (set one) no. 50**: What parcels of real property have you owned in the United States from 1980 to present?
 - **Response**: Objection, this interrogatory is irrelevant and not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.
- 2) **Special Interrogatory (set one) no. 51:** For each fact set forth in your response to Interrogatory No. 50, Identify every document which supports the fact.
- 3) **Response**: Objection, this interrogatory is irrelevant and not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.
- 4) Special Interrogatory (set one) no. 52: To whom have you been married in the last 20 years?
- 5) **Response**: Objection, this interrogatory is irrelevant and not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.
- 6) **Special Interrogatory (set one) no. 54:** Have you ever received gifts equal to or in excess of \$10,000.00 from anyone other than Lininger within the past 10 years.
- 7) **Response**: Objection, this interrogatory is irrelevant and not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.
- 8) **Special Interrogatory (set one) no. 55:** If your response to Interrogatory number 54 is yes, identify every gift you have received equal to or in excess of \$10,000.00 within the past 10 years.
- 9) **Response**: Objection, this interrogatory is irrelevant and not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.
- 10) **Special Interrogatory (set one) no. 56:** If your response to Interrogatory number 55 is yes, identify every person with knowledge of stated facts.
- 11) **Response**: Objection, this interrogatory is irrelevant and not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.

The production of documents demand to which further responses are requested is as follows:

1) **Document demand (set one) no. 5:** All documents relating to bank statements associated with you from January 1, 2009 – present.

Respondent Sarah Nardone's Opposition to Robert Jones's Motion to Compel Further Responses to Special Interrogatories and Production of Documents and for Sanctions; Respondent Sarah Nardone's Request for Sanctions filed 06/15/12, states that the Petitioner's Motion should be denied because the requests are based on the unsupported speculative assumption that Respondent Sarah Nardone made misrepresentations to Mr. Lininger about her assets and marital status. However, there is no evidence to suggest that Respondent made such representations to Mr. Lininger and further, there is no evidence that Mr. Lininger relied on any representations Nardone may have made when he established the irrevocable trust, the only gift at issue in this action. Respondent states that Petitioner's arguments are based entirely on unauthenticated letters authored by Mr. Lininger. Moreover, Mr. Lininger's out of court statements cannot be introduced into evidence by Petitioner, as they constitute hearsay. The issue in this action is whether Mr. Lininger was unduly influenced into creating the irrevocable trust for Respondent's benefit. The Special Interrogatories are unrelated to this subject matter, are not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, and seek to invade Respondent's constitutionally protected right to privacy. Further, Petitioner admittedly intends to use this discovery to develop "character" evidence, which is inadmissible under Evidence Code §§ 786 & 787. Respondent further states that the Special Interrogatories ask for information related to each parcel of real property Respondent has owned since she was 6 years old, the identity of anyone she was married to within the last 20 years, and every gift received over \$10,000.00 in the last 10 years. Respondent states that these discovery requests are not tangentially relevant to whether Mr. Lininger was unduly influenced into creating the irrevocable trust. These interrogatories seek information related to Respondent's finances and intimate personal relationships and such information is protected under the California Constitution. (In re Marriage of Burkle (2006) 136 Cal.App.4th 1045 [financial information is protected]; Ortiz v. L.A. Police Relief Association (2002) 98 Cal.App.4th 1288 [freedom of association includes intimate relationships].) Likewise, the disputed Request for Production of Documents is also improper in that it seeks "[a]II documents related to bank statements associated with [Respondent] from January 1, 2009 – present." Respondent states that financial information is protected under the California Constitution. (In re Marriage of Burkle (2006) 136 Cal.App.4th 1045.)

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Petitioner cannot meet his burden and "demonstrate a compelling need for [the] discovery [that is] so strong as to outweigh the privacy right when these two competing interests are carefully balanced." (Lantz v. Superior Court (1994) 28 Cal.App.4th 1839, 1853-1854 [emphasis added].) Further, compelling disclosure is not the least restrictive means of achieving any state interest present in this case. Petitioner needlessly seeks to delve into Respondent's private life. Petitioner's Motion should be denied in its entirety.

Respondent's Response to Petitioner's Statement Listing Special Interrogatories, and Production of Documents to Which Further Responses are Requested was filed on 06/15/12.

Index of Exhibits in Support of Respondent Sarah Nardone's Opposition to Robert Jones's Motion to Compel Further Responses to Special Interrogatories and Production of Documents and for Sanctions was filed on 06/15/12.

Reply of Petitioner Robert Jones to Sarah Nardone's Opposition to Motion to Compel Further Responses to Special Interrogatories and Production of Documents and for Sanctions filed 06/22/12 states:

- A. Respondent attempts to argue that Petitioner's discovery requests are outside the scope of CCP § 2017.010. "Discovery may relate to the claim or defense of the party seeking discovery or any other party to the action." (CCP § 2017.010, emphasis added). Just as Respondent has the right to the discovery process for obtaining information for her defense, Petitioner has the right to use the discovery process for preparation of trial and to discover evidence supporting his claims. Discovery statutes are certainly not limitless, but not one sided either. Both sides are equally entitled to information for either their defense or claims made in the action.
- B. Respondent argues that the discovery requests seek information not relevant to the subject matter of the litigation because Nardone believes the only matter at issue is the irrevocable trust. The gifts Mr. Lininger made to Respondent before the irrevocable trust was created are put at issue in Petitioner's Petition. "Relevancy to the subject matter of the litigation is a much broader concept than relevancy to the precise issues presented by the pleadings. (Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co. v. Superior Court (1970) 2 Cal.3d 161,172 [84 Cal.Rptr. 718, 465 P2 854].) "The 'subject matter of the action' is the circumstances and facts out of which the action arises..." (Norton v. Superior Court (1994, 2nd Dist) 24 Cal.App.4th 1750, 1760; emphasis added).
- C. Nardone's counsel argues that the gifts from Virgil to Nardone before the irrevocable trust was created are not at issue in this action. However, Nardone clearly argues the exact opposite in her Request for Foreign Deposition Subpoenas filed in Clark County, Nevada in which she argues that "[s]everal checks that Mr. Lininger gave to Respondent were from account(s) at this bank. Petitioner put these checks at issue in his Petition to Invalidate Irrevocable Trust. Respondent needs to determine the number and amount of these checks." Nardone's counsel also states in his Letter dated 06/06/12 that "[w]hile we do believe that the other gifts to Ms. Nardone are only marginally relevant, the subject Petition puts these gifts at issue." If Nardone is able to use the discovery process to obtain personal financial records of Mr. Lininger, a non-party, because the gifts are put at issue, then certainly Petitioner can discover Nardone's personal information that is related to the at issue gifts as well. Nardone's attempt to argue one side to obtain Mr. Lininger's private information and argue the opposite side to stop the Petitioner from discovering information is disingenuous. Since the gifts are at issue then information regarding the facts and circumstances surrounding the gifts fall within the boundaries of CCP 2017.010 and are relevant.
- D. Respondent's objection to special interrogatories 50 and 51 are not proper. Respondent mistakenly assumes that her real property ownership records come under the definition of "personal financial information" that is protected by the California Constitution. The discovery requests are permissible and not invasions of privacy as the records are a matter of public record. Any person can go to the Recorder of any County and request copies of such information. Because Nardone has lived in several different locations in and outside the U.S., it would be an oppressive cost to Petitioner to search and request copies of such information from every county in all 50 states. Nardone's simple compliance with the discovery request would avoid the exorbitant costs and comply with the purpose and spirit of the discovery statutes. Nardone's continuous protest in providing information that is available to the general public is suspicious and absurd.

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- Respondent's objection to Special Interrogatory No. 52 is not proper. Nardone mistakenly assumes that her E. marriage history comes under the definition of "personal financial information" that is protected by the California Constitution. However, the discovery requests are permissible and not invasions of privacy as the records are a matter of public record. Any person can go to the Recorder of any County and request copies of such information. Because Nardone has lived in several different locations in and outside the U.S., it would be an oppressive cost to Petitioner to search and request copies of such information from every county in all 50 states. Nardone's simple compliance with the discovery request would avoid the exorbitant costs and comply with the purpose and spirit of the discovery statutes. Nardone's continuous protest in providing information that is available to the general public is unreasonable. Respondent points out that Mr. Lininger through his various letters and writings wished that Nardone would find a husband. Is this not an indication that he was told by respondent that she was single or is Nardone saying someone else told him? Mr. Lininger also states in one of his letters that Nardone "...had agreed to marry him..." Again, an obvious showing that Nardone represented that she was single. The gifts and facts surrounding the circumstances of Mr. Liningers and Nardone's relationship and any misrepresentations or frauds committed by Nardone to receive such gifts are at issue in this litigation, so Nardone's marital status is indeed relevant and Nardone should be compelled to answer.
- F. Respondent's objection to Special Interrogatories No. 54, 55, and 56 is not proper. The gifts and all facts surrounding the circumstances of Mr. Lininger and Nardone's relationship and any misrepresentations about her financial situation or frauds committed by Nardone to receive such gifts are at issue in this litigation, so Nardone's history of receiving gifts over \$10,000.00 is relevant. Nardone argues that Petitioner is attempting to admit inadmissible character evidence. This is not true. Evidence Code § 1101 (b) states "nothing in this section prohibits the admission of evidence that a person committed a crime, civil wrong or other act when relevant to prove some facts (such as motive, opportunity, intent, preparation, plan, identity, knowledge, identity..."

 Evidence of other misconduct by a person may be admissible to prove any relevant fact other than the person's disposition or propensity to act in a particular manner. (People v. Hovarter (2008) 44 Cal.4th 983, 1002.)

 This rule applies to both criminal and civil cases. (Hassoldt v. Patrick Media Group, Inc. (2000) 84 Cal.App.4th 153, 165.) If Nardone has received large gifts, including cash, jewelry and real property, it will be used to show the opportunity and her intent behind unduly influencing Mr. Lininger. It is not being used to show her propensity or her disposition to unduly influence Mr. Lininger, but rather her intent and plan to influence and the opportunity she took when she met Mr. Lininger on the cruise a few months after his wife died.
- G. Respondent's Objection to Request for Production No. 5 is Not Proper. In her Request for Foreign Deposition Subpoenas filed in Clark County, Nevada in which she argues that "[s]everal checks that Mr. Lininger gave to Respondent were from account(s) at this bank. Petitioner put these checks at issue in his Petition to Invalidate Irrevocable Trust. Respondent needs to determine the number and amount of these checks." Respondent received Mr. Lininger's (a non-party) personal bank records from three bank institutions. The funds from the irrevocable trust came from only one bank. The other two accounts were related to the cash gifts Mr. Lininger gave to Nardone. Yet Nardon wants this court to believe their discovery request for Mr. Lininger's bank information is not protected by the California Constitution as "personal financial information", but Petitioner's exact discovery requests for Nardone's information from 01/01/09 to present is protected? Further, Nardone's counsel states in a letter dated 06/06/12 that Nardone's request for Mr. Lininger's bank records from 01/01/09 to present is valid because it "covers the entire period of Mr. Lininger and Ms. Nardone's friendship. Considering Mr. Jones alleges that Ms. Nardone unduly influenced Mr. Lininger during this period, thereby causing him to create the irrevocable trust, these records are clearly discoverable and not objectionable" (Emphasis added). Nardone essentially made Petitioner's argument for them.
- H. Sanctions should be imposed on Respondent Nardone. The fact that Nardone's counsel has been dishonest to Petitioner and this court in and of itself justifies that sanctions should be imposed on Nardone. Discovery serves a purpose, and Nardone is callously avoiding that purpose for her own benefit and to the detriment of the Petitioner by wasting his and the court's time in delaying discovery.

7 Elsie M. Lawson (Estate)

Atty

Case No. 11CEPR00861

Quane, Daniel T. (of Danville, CA for Donald Freitas – Executor/Petitioner)

(1) First and Final Account and Report of Donald Freitas and (2) Petition for Final Distribution and for (3) Payment of Statutory Fees of Attorney and Statutory Fees for Executor

	To the color	11777
DOD: 04/03/11	DONALD FRIETAS, Executor, is Petitioner.	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
	Account period: 12/15/11 04/20/12	
	Account period: 12/15/11 - 04/30/12	
Coul to a	Accounting - \$117,256.32	
Cont. from	Beginning POH - \$114,179.84	
Aff.Sub.Wit.	Ending POH - \$117,256.32	
✓ Verified		
✓ Inventory	Executor - \$4,425.40	
✓ PTC	(statutory)	
✓ Not.Cred.		
✓ Notice of Hrg	Attorney - \$4,425.40	
✓ Aff.Mail w/	(statutory)	
Aff.Pub.	Costs - \$942.18 (filling	
Sp.Ntc.	Costs - \$942.18 (filing fees, publication, court call appearance	
Pers.Serv.	fee, probate referee, certified letters)	
Conf. Screen	e	
Letters 12/15/11	Distribution, pursuant to decedent's Will,	
Duties/Supp	is to:	
Objections		
Video	Donald Freitas, Trustee of the Elsie M.	
Receipt	Lawson Trust, dated March 19, 2002 -	
CI Report	\$107,463.34	
√ 9202	-	
✓ Order	_	
Aff. Posting	<u> </u>	Reviewed by: JF
Status Rpt	4	Reviewed on: 06/26/12
UCCJEA	4	Updates:
Citation	-	Recommendation: SUBMITTED
✓ FTB Notice		File 7 - Lawson

Wall, Jeffrey L. (for Christine Adams – Trustee) Petition for Authority to Add Asset to Grantor Trust

Age: 67 DOB: 11-7-44 Aff.Sub.Wit. Verified Inventory **PTC** Not.Cred. Notice of Hrg Aff.Mail W Aff.Pub. Sp.Ntc. Pers.Serv. Conf. Screen **Letters Duties/Supp Objections** Video Receipt CI Report 9202 Χ Order Aff. Posting Status Rpt **UCCJEA** Citation **FTB Notice**

CHRISTINE ADAMS. Trustee of the MICKEY FULBRIGHT GRANTOR TRUST, is Petitioner.

Petitioner states Trust beneficiary Mickey Fulbright is the sole beneficiary of the Estate of Barbara Scharton 09CEPR00512.

A petition for distribution of the Scharton Estate is pending and the personal representative has on hand, after payment of fees and costs, cash in the sum of \$603,693.16 for distribution.

The terms of the Grantor Trust and the Court order dated 2-28-12 require prior approval for the transfer of any property into the Mickey Fulbright Grantor Trust. Petitioner desires to transfer the anticipated distribution from the Sharton Estate to the Trust.

Petitioner prays for an order authorizing the transfer to the trust of the cash to be distributed to Mickey Fulbright from the Scharton Estate.

NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:

1. Pursuant to Order Authorizing Proposed Action (Substituted Judgment) filed 2-28-12 in Conservatorship 04CEPR00703. this inter vivos trust was created to avoid probate upon the death of the Conservatee.

Case No. 12CEPR00361

The Trust was not created as a federally authorized safe harbor trust (Special Needs Trust) due to the age of the beneficiary, (and does not contain a notice or payback clause pursuant to requirements of such safe harbor trusts).

Therefore, at this time, the Court may require notice pursuant to Probate Code §17203(b) and/or as contemplated by Probate Code §§ 3602(d)-(f) and 3611(c) to the State Director of Health Care Services, or authority for such transfer without notice.

- 2. Petitioner does not list the names and addresses of those entitled to notice in the petition pursuant to Probate Code §17201.
- 3. Notice of Hearing indicates service to other interested parties on 6-5-12; however, Probate Code §17203 requires 30 days' notice.
- 4. If granted, the Court will set status hearings as follows:
 - Friday 8-31-12 for receipt of funds in blocked account pursuant to Order 2-28-12
 - Friday 8-30-13 for filing of the first account
- 5. Need Order.

Reviewed by: skc

Reviewed on: 6-26-12

Updates:

Recommendation:

File 8 - Fulbright

Dominic Tortorella (CONS/PE)

Atty Bosco, Cynthia (fo5r

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Probate Status Hearing Re: Termination of Proceeding for Deceased Conservatee (Prob. C. § 1860, et seq)

Case No. 0250287

DOD: 11-6-09		DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
		SERVICES is Conservator.	Note: This Case is related to Page 1 (Conservatorship of Nicholas Tortella).
		Conservatee died on 11/6/09.	(
Cont. from 0517	12		Note to Judge: Examiner is unable to
Aff.Sub.Wit.		The Thirteenth Account was	determine from the file why the matter was taken off calendar in February, but it
Verified		approved on 6/16/09 showing a property on hand balance of	appears from the related file that both
Inventory		\$14,193.12, including an interest in	matters were set on this date at a
PTC		real property.	hearing on 4-5-12.
Not.Cred.		real property.	As of 6-25-12, nothing further has been
Notice of		The Court set status hearing for	<u>filed. The following issue remains</u> :
Hrg	<u> </u>	termination of proceedings for	
Aff.Mail		deceased Conservatee on 10-12-11.	Need petition to terminate
Aff.Pub.			proceedings for deceased
Sp.Ntc.		The matter was continued to 11-16-	conservatee or current status report.
Pers.Serv.		11 and 2-8-11; however, the 2-8-11	тероп.
Conf.		hearing was taken off calendar.	
Screen		As of 6-25-12, a final account or	
Letters		petition for termination has not been	
Duties/Supp		filed.	
Objections		mod.	
Video			
Receipt			
CI Report			
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Order			Deviewe d han also
Aff. Posting			Reviewed by: skc Reviewed on: 6-25-12
Status Rpt UCCJEA	Х		Updates:
Citation			Recommendation:
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- Noah Vang, Christian Vang and Jacob Vang (GUARD/P) Case No. 06CEPR00894
- Atty Carrasco, Chue Vang (pro per Petitioner/Guardian of Noah/paternal uncle)
- Atty Carrasco, Octavio (pro per Petitioner/Guardian of Noah/paternal aunt)
- Atty Espinoza, Xiong (pro per paternal aunt, former temporary guardian of Christian & Jacob)

 Atty Boyajian, Thomas M. (for maternal grandparents, Terry Moua and Cynthia Moua/Guardian of
- Christian Vang and Jacob Vang)

Status Hearing

Status Hearing					
Noah, 7	Father: YEE VANG	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:			
DOB: 1/13/2005	Mother: MICHELLE MOUA				
Christian, 2	CHILE VANC CARRASCO and OCTAVIO CARRASCO	Note:			
DOB: 11/18/2009	CHUE VANG CARRASCO and OCTAVIO CARRASCO, paternal aunt and uncle, were appointed guardian of	No order has been submitted or			
Jacob, 1	Noah Vang and Letters were issued on 01/30/12.	filed as directed on 05/03/12.			
DOB: 12/6/2010		Letters have not issued to Terry			
DOB. 12/6/2010	XIONG ESPINOZA, paternal aunt, was appointed	& Cynthia Moua.			
	temporary guardian of Christian Vang and Jacob Vang	-			
Cont. from	on 02/06/12.				
Aff.Sub.Wit.	On 03/05/12, CYNTHIA MOUA and TERRY MOUA,				
Verified	maternal grandparents, filed a competing petition for				
	guardianship of Noah Vang, Christian Vang, and Jacob				
Inventory	Vang.				
PTC	At a hearing on 03/26/12, the court set the matter for a				
Not.Cred.	court trial on 05/03/12. XIONG ESPINOZA's (paternal				
Notice of	aunt) temporary guardianship of Christian Vang and				
Hrg	Jacob Vang was extended to 05/03/12.				
Aff.Mail	Minute Order from 05/03/12 granted guardianship of				
Aff.Pub.	Christian Vang and Jacob Vang to Terry Moua and				
Sp.Ntc.	Cynthia Moua, maternal grandparents. The Court made				
Pers.Serv.	the following further orders: 1. No visitation by Yee Vang (father) at the Moua's				
	residence and no unsupervised visits with any				
Conf.	child by Michelle Moua (mother).				
Screen	2. Yee Vang (father) is not to be at any residence				
Letters	when any of the children are present.				
Duties/Supp	The Moua's are not to use corporal punishment on Jacob or Christian Vang.				
Objections	4. Jacob and Christian Vang are not to be in any				
Video	vehicle unless the driver is properly licensed and				
Receipt	insured. Additionally, the children are not to ride				
CI Report	in any vehicle without appropriate child restraints. The Court relies on Mr. Boyajian to inform the				
9202	Moua's of the laws effective 01/01/12. Noah is to				
	be transported to and from visits by someone				
Order	other than Cynthia Moua.	Daviewed by IT			
Aff. Posting	5. The Court relies on the Carrasco's to be flexible not withstanding these orders.	Reviewed by: JF			
Status Rpt	The Court made the following orders regarding visitation:	Reviewed on: 06/26/12			
UCCJEA	Visitation between the Moua's and Noah shall be	Updates:			
Citation	on the 1st, 3rd and 5th weekends of every month	Recommendation:			
FTB Notice	beginning this Friday at 6:00 pm until Sunday at 6:00 pm.	File 10 - Vang			
	2. Visitation between Christian, Jacob, the				
	Carrasco's and Ms. Espinoza shall be on the 2 nd				
	and 4 th weekends of every month.				
	3. Pick-up and delivery of the children shall be the				
	responsibility of the visiting party. Mr. Boyajian, attorney for Terry & Cynthia Moua is				
	directed to prepare the order(s) and set this matter for a				
	status hearing on 6/28/12.				
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Dallas James and Summer Soto (GUARD/P) Cook, Stephen (Pro Per – Maternal Grandfather – Petitioner) Cook, Elyse Marie (Pro Per – Maternal Grandmother – Petitioner)

Petition for Appointment of Guardian of the Person (Prob. C. 1510)

Dallas Marie James	NO TEMPORARY – DENIED 3-7-12	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
Age: 1 DOB: 2-5-11 Summer Sunshine Soto	STEPHEN and ELYSE MARIE COOK, Maternal Grandparents, are Petitioners.	Minute Order 3-7-12 (Temporary Hearing): Present: Petitioners, William James (Dallas' father), Steven Soto (Summer's father) and Jamie
Age: 4 DOB: 7-4-07	Father (Dallas): WILLIAM "KIMO" JAMES - Present in Court on 3-7-12	Cook (mother). Jamie Cook provides contact information. The Court denies the Petition. The general hearing remains set for 4-26-12.
	SEE PAGE 2	
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14A Dallas James and Summer Soto (GUARD/P) Case No. 12CEPR00187

Minute Order 4-26-12: Also present in the courtroom are William James and Carol Soto. The Court orders that a referral be made to Social Services for further investigation concerning the children's environment and allegations of physical and/or verbal abuse of the mother as well as threats to the family members by William James. Continued to 6/28/12.

Since the last hearing on 4-26-12, the following items have been filed:

- Consent of Jamie M. Cook (Mother) to Petition of Stephen and Elyse Cook dated 5-4-12
- Declaration filed by Stephen Cook with a "Power of Attorney for Minor Child" dated 5-4-12, and letters in support of their petition by family members, including the mother.
- Competing temporary and general petition for guardianship of Summer only by her paternal grandparents, Joel and Carol Soto (See Page 14B).

14B Dallas James & Summer Soto (GUARD/P)

Case No. 12CEPR00187

Atty Soto, Carol S. (Pro Per – Paternal Grandmother – Petitioner)
Atty Soto, Joel C. (Pro Per – Paternal Grandfather – Petitioner)

Petition for Appointment of Temporary Guardian of the Person

Summer Sunshine Soto Age: 4			NO TEMPORARY IN PLACE – TEMPORARY DENIED TO STEPHEN AND ELYSE COOK ON 3-7-12	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
DOB: 7-4-07			(SEE PAGE 14A)	Note: This competing petition
			GENERAL HEARING & 10 10	pertains to <u>Summer only</u> (See #1 below).
			GENERAL HEARING 8-13-12	·
		<u> </u>	JOEL and CAROL SOTO, Paternal Grandparents, are Petitioners.	The petition appears to request guardianship of
	Aff.Sub.Wit.			Summer only; however, Examiner notes that the
~	Verified		Father: STEVEN SOTO - Present in Court on 3-7-12	documents mention
	Inventory	l I	- Served by mail on 6-17-12	"children" (plural) in many
	PTC		Mother: JAMIE MICHELLE COOK	spots. Need clarification:
	Not.Cred.		- Present in Court on 3-7-12	Are Petitioners requesting guardianship of both
`	Notice of Hrg		- Consent and Waiver of Notice filed 5-4-12 - Served by mail on 6-17-12	children or Summer only?
~	Aff.Mail	W	Maternal Grandfather: Stephen Cook	2. Notice of Hearing filed 6-20-
	Aff.Pub.		- Served by mail on 6-17-12	12 indicates service on the
	Sp.Ntc.		Maternal Grandmother: Elyse Marie Cook	parents by mail. Probate
	Pers.Serv.	Χ	- Served by mail on 6-17-12	Code §2250(e) requires
~	Conf. Screen		Siblings: Thomas J. Soto, Steven J. Soto, Jr.,	personal service on the parents.
~	Letters		Chloe Sanders, and Dallas James	·
~	Duties/Supp		Petitioners state temporary guardianship is	
	Objections		necessary due to ongoing drug and alcohol	
	Video		abuse, mental abuse, unsafe environment, safety of children.	
	Receipt		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
	CI Report			
<u> </u>	9202	<u> </u>		
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Case No. 12CEPR00449

Petition for Letters of Administration; Authorization to Administer Under IAEA (Prob. C. 8002, 10450)

DOD:10/11/2010		KARLA DEAN, daughter is Petitioner and	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
		requests appointment as administrator	
		without bond.	Continued to 07/30/2012
		1	At the request of the Attorney
Со	nt. from	Full IAEA - ?	Need Affidavit of Publication
	Aff.Sub.Wit.		1. Need Anidavii of Foblication
✓	Verified		2. Item 5B of the Petition is
	Inventory	Decedent died intestate	incomplete regarding stepchild or
	PTC		foster child.
	Not.Cred.		
✓	Notice of W	Residence: Tollhouse	3. Attachment 3(d) to Petition states every beneficiary requests bond
✓	Aff.Mail	Publication: Needed	be waived. Need signed waivers of bond from all beneficiaries.
	Aff.Pub. X		of boria from all beneficiaries.
	Sp.Ntc.	Estimated value of the Estate:	Note: If the petition is granted status
	Pers.Serv.	Personal Property - \$150.00	hearings will be set as follows:
	Conf.	Real Property - \$105,000.00	. Evident 11/20/2012 et
	Screen	Total: - \$105,150.00	 Friday, 11/30/2012 at 9:00a.m. in Dept. 303 for the
✓	Letters		filing of the inventory and
✓	Duties/Supp		appraisal <u>and</u>
	Objections		. F.: J 00 /20 /0012
	Video	Probate Referee: Rick Smith	• Friday, 08/30/2013 at
	Receipt	FIODUIE REIEIEE. RICK SITIIIT	9:00a.m. in Dept. 303 for the
	CI Report		filing of the first account and
	9202		final distribution.
✓	Order		Pursuant to Local Rule 7.5 if the required documents are filed 10 days prior to the hearings on the matter the status hearing will come off calendar and no appearance will be required.
	Aff. Posting		Reviewed by: LEG / LV
	Status Rpt		Reviewed on: 06/25/2012
	UCCJEA		Updates:
	Citation		Recommendation:
	FTB Notice		File 15 - Johnson
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Rodriguez, Trinidad (Pro Per – Petitioner – Son)

Case No. 12CEPR00450

Petition for Letters of Administration; Authorization to Administer Under IAEA (Prob. C. 8002, 10450)

DOD:01/03/2012			TRINIDAD RODRIGUEZ, son is petitioner	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
			and requests appointment as	
			Administrator without bond.	Need Affidavit of Publication
Со	nt. from		Full IAEA-?	2. Need name and date of death
	Aff.Sub.Wit.		I OII I/ LE/ (§	of decedent's spouse per Local
1	Verified			Rule 7.1.1D.
_			Decedent died intestate	
	Inventory			3. Attachment 3(d) to the Petition
	PTC			states every beneficiary requests
	Not.Cred.		Residence: Clovis	bond be waived. Need signed
√	Notice of	W	Publication: Needed	waivers of bond from all
	Hrg			beneficiaries.
✓	Aff.Mail			
	Aff.Pub.	Х	Estimated value of the Estate:	
	Sp.Ntc.		Personal Property –	Note: If the petition is granted status
	Pers.Serv.		<u>Real Property</u> - \$239,000.00	hearings will be set as follows:
	Conf.		Total: - \$239,000.00	_
	Screen			• Friday, 11/30/2012 at
1	Letters			9:00a.m. in Dept. 303 for the
Ě			Probate Referee: Steven Diebert	filing of the inventory and
✓	Duties/Supp			appraisal <u>and</u>
	Objections			5 Eriday, 09/20/2012 at
	Video			• Friday, 08/30/2013 at
	Receipt			9:00a.m. in Dept. 303 for the
	CI Report			filing of the first account and
	9202			final distribution.
1	Order			Pursuant to Local Rule 7.5 if the
				required documents are filed 10 days
				prior to the hearings on the matter
				the status hearing will come off
				calendar and no appearance will
				be required.
	Aff. Posting			Reviewed by: LEG / LV
	Status Rpt			Reviewed on: 06/25/2012
	UCCJEA			Updates:
	Citation			Recommendation:
	FTB Notice			File 16 – Rodriguez
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